

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

January 26, 2015

5:30 p.m.

Courthouse

MINUTES:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Joe Gourley
Commissioner David Nipper
Commissioner Steve Percy
Commissioner Jeff Phillips
Commissioner Pettus Read
Commissioner Chantho Sourinho
Commissioner Doug Shafer, C

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ernest Burgess Jeff Davidson
Tharrel Kast Dan Goode
Bernard Salandy Virgil Gammon
Joe Russell Larry Farley
Randy Garrett Mike Nunley
Steve Spence Lynn Duke
Robert Arnold Nancy Loyd

Egon Grissom, Jacoby O'Gwynn, Bill Sharp, Guy Goff, D. Spence, Tommy Thompson, Lisa Marchisoni, Doris Hoffman, Trey King, Monique Tillage, Michael Gregory, Becky Shelton

Chairman Shafer presided and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with all members being present at that time.

MINUTES:

"Commissioner Nipper moved, seconded by Commissioner Gourley, to approve the minutes of the last meeting. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORT:

Monique Tillage presented the annual Domestic Violence report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Percy moved, seconded by Commissioner Sourinho, to approve the Domestic Violence report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

DRUG COURT REPORT:

Trey King was introduced as the new Director and Doris Hoffman as the new Assistant Director. Mr. King presented the Drug Court report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Gourley moved, seconded by Commissioner Read, to approve the Drug Court report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

OSHA REPORT:

Dan Goode presented the OSHA report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Sourinho moved, seconded by Commissioner Phillips, to approve the OSHA report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

CORRECTIONAL WORK CENTER REPORT:

Bernard Salandy presented the Correctional Work Center report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Percy moved, seconded by Commissioner Phillips, to approve the Correctional Work Center report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

JUVENILE DETENTION REPORT:

Lynn Duke presented the Juvenile Detention report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Read moved, seconded by Commissioner Sourinho, to approve the Juvenile Detention report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

PAWS REPORT:

Michael Gregory presented the PAWS report for the use and information of the Committee. Mr. Gregory advised his department is unable to sustain responding to wild animal calls so they are phasing these out but they will respond to wild sick or injured. Citizens are referred to TWRA or companies that trap wild animals.

Mr. Gregory advised when he was at the Bedford County facility they worked with Petsmart in the Rescue Wagon program wherein dogs are transported to other areas where they can be adopted. The program will mentor and have grants available. Rutherford County has been accepted to the program and will do its first transport in February. Mr. Gregory advised they hope to send 12 to 15 dogs per month. The program does not accept pit bulls or pit mixes. A behavioral assessment is required and the program only accepts dogs with high assessments. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Sourinho moved, seconded by Commissioner Percy, to approve the PAWS report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Mr. Gregory next presented a proposed budget amendment to purchase an evidence locker.

From: 101-55120-718 Motor Vehicles -	\$ 485
From: 101-55120-790 Other Equipment -	\$ 240
To: 101-54120-499 Other Supplies & Materials -	\$ 725

"Commissioner Phillips moved, seconded by Commissioner Read, to approve the PAWS budget amendment as presented. This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

AMBULANCE SERVICE REPORT:

Mike Nunley presented the Ambulance Service report for the use and information of the Committee advising the Department has a scholarship program for EMTs that want to go to Paramedic school which is funded primarily by hospitals and nursing homes. The department usually gives 2 to 3 scholarships per year and a requirement is that the recipient must work for Rutherford County two years after completion. Only two participants have left employment before the time requirement and they repaid the money. The program has graduated 18 with 3 in school now. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Phillips moved, seconded by Commissioner Percy, to approve the Ambulance Service report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Mr. Nunley next presented a proposed budget amendment for extra funds for renovation of the Lytle Street Administration Building. The funds are needed for Information Technology equipment and services including wireless assessment and installation, moving MetroE circuits, security cameras, router and other equipment.

From: 118-55130-399 Other Contracted Services -	\$ 25,000
From: 118-55130-425 Gasoline -	\$ 15,000
From: 118-55130-452 Utilities -	\$ 10,000
To: 118-99100-590 Transfers to Other Funds -	\$ 50,000

"Commissioner Phillips moved, seconded by Commissioner Nipper, to approve the Ambulance Service budget amendment as presented. This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE REPORT:

Larry Farley presented the County Fire/Rescue report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Nipper moved, seconded by Commissioner Gourley, to approve the Fire/Rescue report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Mr. Farley advised he was requesting permission to write a grant for twelve people for the north side of the County to have a full-time station. It would be a two year grant at 100% and then the County could pick up the cost or discontinue the positions. This would double the manpower of the Fire/Rescue Department. The cost for a twelve man team is less than \$700,000 per year. Commissioner Gourley advised this could save taxpayers money on insurance due to the ISO rating versus what any required tax increase may be. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Percy moved, seconded by Commissioner Nipper to approve applying for a grant for twelve firefighter positions as requested. This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

Mr. Farley will bring back more information on budgeting and costs for consideration before the time to decide on whether to accept the grant.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY REPORT:

Tharrel Kast presented the Emergency Management Agency report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Read moved, seconded by Commissioner Souinho, to approve the Emergency Management Agency report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Mr. Kast next presented the Grant Contract with the State Department of Military, Tennessee Emergency Management Agency for \$68,168 for projects under the 2014 Homeland Security Grant which needed to be accepted. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Phillips moved, seconded by Commissioner Nipper, to approve to receive the Grant Contract with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for fiscal year 2014 in the amount of \$68,168 and forward the same to the Budget Committee. This motion passed by roll call vote with Commissioner Gourley abstaining."

Mr. Kast next advised he was requesting permission to apply for a Clean Tennessee Energy Grant due to a TVA energy audit and recommendations therein which include replacing led lighting, HVAC system and the roof. The dome part of the roof is not under warranty but the flat part is through 2024. The grant had to be submitted by Friday but more complete information will have to be submitted in the Summer. The grant will be up to \$50,000 and can have in kind match. Mr. Kast advised he was trying to replace items with the grant that would otherwise have to be funded by the Commission. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Phillips moved, seconded by Commissioner Sourinho, to authorize applying for the Clean Tennessee Energy Grant as requested and bring back updates to the Committee. This motion passed by roll call vote with Commissioner Gourley abstaining."

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Joe Russell presented proposed budget amendments for consideration.

1) From:	54110-790 Other Equip. -	\$ 500
To:	54110-351 Rentals -	\$ 500
3) To:	101-49700 Ins. Recovery -	\$ 6,575
To:	54110-718 New Vehicles -	\$ 6,575
4) To:	101-44145 Sale/Recy Mat -	\$ 6,008
To:	54210-499 Other Supplies -	\$ 663
To:	54110-716 LE Equip -	\$ 5,345
5) To:	101-44990 Other Revenue -	\$ 3,184
To:	54210-499 Other Supplies -	\$ 3,184
6) To:	101-44570 Donations -	\$ 5,389
To:	54110-599 Other Charges -	\$ 950
To:	54110-499 Other Supplies -	\$ 750
To:	54110-399 Other Cont Serv. -	\$ 3,689
7) To:	101-44570 K9 Donations -	\$ 1,825
To:	54110-401 An. Supplies -	\$ 1,825
8) To:	101-44130 Sale/Materials -	\$ 2,198
To:	54110-499 Other Supplies -	\$ 706
To:	54110-435 Office Supplies -	\$ 684
To:	54210-499 Other Supplies -	\$ 808
9) To:	101-48130 Contr/Gov.Agen. -	\$ 28,475
To:	54110-196 Inservice Train. -	\$ 28,475

"Commissioner Nipper moved, seconded by Commissioner Gourley, to approve the budget amendments as presented by the Sheriff's Office. This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

The Committee next reviewed Item #2 from the Budget Amendment Request.

2) From:	101-39000 Undes.Fund Bal -	\$350,000
To:	54210-422 Food/Inmates -	\$350,000

Sheriff Arnold advised the budget submitted last year was cut and he had told the Committee he would have to come back for more funding. Commissioner Phillips stated they passed a budget that was not realistic if it was cut knowing it would have to be amended. Nancy Loyd advised the Committee they have had inmates say they had converted religions and had to be provided kosher meats which are triple or quadruple the normal cost. Additionally, the inmate population is up. The Committee was advised the jail would run out of food in mid-March without the amendment. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Gourley moved, seconded by Commissioner Nipper to forward the budget amendment for \$350,000 for food to the Budget Committee with a positive recommendation. This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

The Committee was next presented a proposed budget amendment from Drug Control Restricted for Public Safety into Drug Fund Inservice Training.

From:	122-34525 Restric/Pub Safe -	\$ 15,000
To:	122-54150-196 Ins.Train -	\$ 15,000

"Commissioner Nipper moved, seconded by Commissioner Read, to approve the Sheriff's Department budget amendment as presented. This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

The Committee was provided the line item reports for its use and information. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Phillips moved, seconded by Commissioner Sourinho, to approve the Sheriff's Department report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

The Committee was next presented a proposed Resolution regarding the sale of surplus vehicles to other counties. The Resolution was previously presented to the Steering Committee and enables the Sheriff's Department to sell patrol cars to other counties. Historically, equipment has been removed from the cars and they were sold to Clark's or auctioned and between \$700 to \$1,000 was received. The Resolution sets a minimum price of \$2,000 on the cars when sold to other counties with equipment included. The equipment will remain with the old vehicles as it is not compatible with the new vehicles. Cannon and Hardiman Counties have expressed interest in buying the cars. It has been the goal of the Department to pull patrol cars off the road at 100,000 when it goes to another department and then comes off the road for other disposition at 150,000 miles. However, now some cars stay in patrol until 150,000 but the maintenance is expensive. The County Attorney has advised there is no liability to the County in selling the vehicles to other counties. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Phillips moved, seconded by Commissioner Gourley, to approve the Resolution to sell surplus vehicles to other counties as presented. This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

Sheriff Arnold next presented the statistical report on SROs for the information of the Committee. The Department Heads next presented division reports including Bill Sharp with stats on the Criminal Investigations Division, Guy Goff on Warrants, Egon Grissom on patrol and Tommy Thompson on the jail and Courthouse Security. Sheriff Arnold reviewed Part I and Part II crimes.

There appearing to be no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Shafer declared the meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

DOUG SHAFER, Chairman